PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

(OFFICIAL REPORT)

FIRST ASSEMBLY.

NINTH SESSION.

Friday, the 27th February 1937/16th Kumbham 1112

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the Clock, with the President in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Amendment to the Remission Rules.

334. *MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have considered the recommendation of the Minor Irrigation Committee, in para 88 of their report, for amending the Remission Rules so as to be applicable to all parts of the State ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the date on which the report was received and the result of the consideration ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 4-10-31. Government have sanctioned the extension of seasonal remissions with certain modifications to *Kayal* areas in the State when crops are destroyed by the breaching of bunds. Modification of the Remission Rules now in force is not considered necessary by Government.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : May I know from the Government whether the recommendation contained in para 88 of the Minor Irrigation Committee Report namely, that the necessity for making these rules sufficiently elastic so as to be applicable under the varying conditions throughout the State may be referred to the Land Revenue Commissioner for full examination and report, was acted upon?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes, Sir. It was referred to the Commissioner. His reply was that there was no necessity to relax the rules and to make them applicable throughout the State. In regard to *Kayal* areas he said that there was necessity to make provision for remission when the cultivation failed on account of the breaching of the bunds ; and necessary provision for that has been made in the rules. Regarding the application of the rules throughout the State the necessity was not felt and therefore it was not done.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Is it the opinion of the Government, or of the Revenue Commissioner that where there is a complete failure of crops for causes beyond the control of the ryots no remission need be granted under the rules framed by them?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no necessity to make general rules for that purpose. If there is complete failure of crops under exceptional circumstances each application will be considered on its merits and necessary remission granted.

Revenue and expenditure in the Ambalapuzha taluk.

335. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the approximate amount of revenue from various sources that is being collected annually from the Ambalapuzha taluk; and

(*b*) the amount spent on public works in the taluk for the last five years?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A taluk-war statement showing the revenue (including all items of revenue) and expenditure is not available.

(*b*) Rs. 1,00,334 for 1107 M. E.
" 1,44,143 " 1108 "
" 1,49,542 " 1109 "
" 2,03,310 " 1110 "
" 85,852 " 1111 "

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): With reference to the answer to part (*b*) of the question may I know the nature of the public works done in the taluk?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Improvement of roads and irrigation canals and other public works.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Was any new work started?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): In view of the interest displayed by several members on this side of the House, may I know whether Government feel the necessity of getting a taluk-war statement of accounts of the various items of revenue?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is practical difficulty in keeping taluk-war statements for all items of revenue. If it is a question of land revenue accounts the statements are already there. In regard to revenues under Excise, Customs, Stamps, Registration fees etc., it is impossible to keep taluk-war accounts.

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